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From the Californian, March 15, 1848:
The Liberty of the Press consists in the right to publish the Truth, with good motives and for justifiable ends. —Alexander Hamilton.

Thinking Out Loud

By H. M. L.

This is written in memory of a man, a friend, and a citizen, Walter L. Mobley whose long and serviceable life was spent in this county. We would like to point out to young men who may think that life nowadays offers no opportunities for doing and achieving, even with all the advantages that modern shools can give, that here was a man who overcame all handicaps of his time, who succeeded in life. We do not mean that he piled up a fortune, but we do mean that when the end now comes, hosts of friends in every walk of life mourn his passing. A long life of service had won him this incomparable guerdon. He loved his fellow men. He served them both in private and public capacity. His generous nature knew no bounds. Though the phrase is hackneyed, his was the soul of honor.

We cannot refrain, here and now, from bitterly lamenting the monstros injustice that was done him in the closing years of his life. An injustice that struck deeper because of his fine pride in his own integrity. His friends far and near condoled with him and assured him of their profound faith in that character he had built enduringly through the years. But the poison of false accusation, the vituperation of cheap, maudlin mentalities that today curse our Republic, and the long delay that ensued before recreant public servants at last withdrew charges made against an innocent man, worked like a slow corrosive upon the mind and body of Judge Mobley.

We had always respected and admired those sterling attributes of character reflected in the mind and relationships of Judge Mobley with his fellow men, but it was only under the tremendous trial of this catastrophe, that we really plumbed the quiet strength of the man. It has been truly said and often proved that adversity tests a man. Too often the stresses discover weakness, but not in Judge Mobley. In the midst of his own grief at the intolerable burden thrust upon him, he found time to give a helping hand and to bring comfort to others in need of sympathy and aid.

Judge Mobley was the type of American citizen that is becoming rarer. That neighborly and helpful interest in all those that came in contact with him, and in his post, as justice of the peace, that human understanding, charity for the man or woman in trouble, are not often found either in public or private life today. His justice he tempered with mercy. He trusted in kindness more than in harshness. Many a man in Nevada county will remember today the man who proved to be his friend, when the rest of the world had apparently condemned him.

In another column will be found a brief sketch of Judge Mobley's life. It is only a brief outline of his 74 years, but we know it was filled with those things which comprise the life of a good man, a good neighbor, a good citizen, and, in this instance, a good public servant. His warm affection for his children, his happy domestic life, his boyhood years in the stirring days of the great Malakoff diggings, his responsibilities as the manager and partner in a large mercantile enterprise, responsibilities carried always with faithful loyalty both to clients and business associates, and finally the more than twelve years he served Nevada township as justice of the peace, cannot be justly compressed either in this appreciation of the man, or in the obituary in the news columns. But we know that Judge Mobley will be remembered through the years for all those fine attributes that mark American citizenship at its best.

FIREMEN NAME NEW YEAR BALL COMMITTEES

The following committees have been chosen for the Thirty Third Masquerade ball of the Nevada City firemen which is held on New Years eve each year:

Floor directors: Chief H. S. Hallett; Assistant Chief, Luther Marsh.

Floor managers: Carl Larsen, as chairman; R. L. Bigelow, Cameron Larsen, Otis Hardt, Frank Misner, Ted Sigourney, James Penrose, R. N. McCormack, Richard Goyne, Louis Kopp, Bill James, Jack Raynor.

Hall committee: Dr. C. W. Chapman, chairman; Ray Wilde, A. J. Rore, Miles Coughlin, Nick Sandow, William Perry, George Sandow, Vernon Sandow, Howard Penrose, J. Cartoscelli.

Publicity committee: John O'Neill, chairman; Miles Coughlin, H. A. Curnow, C. R. Murchie, Max Solaro.

Finance committee: E. J. Ott, chairman; Richard Goyne, James Penrose, Dave Richards, C. W. Leiter, John Fortier, Herb. Skeahan, Dr. W. W. Reed, William Moulton.

Concession committee to work with the Ladies' Auxiliary, Jack Townsend, chairman; Jack Raynor, Fritz Pitz.

Entertainment committee to work with the Ladies' Auxiliary, E. L. Dudley, chairman; Ted Sigourney, Ernest Young, Joe Cartoscelli, E. J. Baker.

Music committee: L. W. Kopp, chairman; E. J. Kilroy, Frank Finnegan, Art Hoge, Tom Richards.

Check room committee: E. L. Dudley, chairman; Muller Chapman, Jack Townsend, Max Solaro, Dick James.

Maintenance committee: Charles Karkling, chairman; Ray Wilde, L. Kopp, Stenger Williamson, Elmer Fischer, George Calanan, Donald Stedger, Walter N. McCormack.

Decoration committee: Max Solaro, chairman; Carl Steger, Alton Davies, James Solaro, Lionel Davies, Pat Courser, Ralph Pierce, Eldred Skeahan, Bob Tamblyn, Joe O'Neill, Frank Wright, W. S. Williamson, W. G. Robson, Dick Stevens, Ray Steger, E. Stone.

The finance committee of the Nevada City firemen will canvas the business district tomorrow.

ELKS OUINT TO PLAY G. V. TEAM

The Nevada City Elks basketball team begins its schedule tonight in the high school gymnasium at 7:30 against the Gothard Brothers squad of Grass Valley.

Coaches Elbridge Skeahan and Bob Tamblyn plan to start four members of last year's high school quintet and replace them at intervals with veteran members of the Elks team.

The lineup will be chosen from the following players: Carl Kopp, Ellard Gates, Eddie Doolittle, and Hershell Lotz from the high school; Ray Wilde, Murray, El Skeahan, Al Novak, Robbie Graham, Ed Frantz and Bob Thomas from last year's team.

Gothard Brothers include on their roster Ray Toms, Tex Wilson and Swede Ostrum who played last year for the Nevada City Elks.

WOMEN'S CIVIC CLUB TO MEET WITH MRS. ELLIOTT

The Women's Civic Club will meet tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Charles Elliott on Gethsemene street. The members will play mah jongg, bridge and Chinese checkers.

Each member is requested to bring a gift for the "White Christmas" and also a gift not exceeding 25 cents in cost to be exchanged among members. Refreshments will be served at the close of the meeting.

CHERRIES BLOOMING

Due to the warm season many shrubs and plants are starting to grow before their period and it has been noted there are cherry trees blooming, a red bud is full of flowers, Mrs. Rose Jones has double China lilies. Now word comes that lilacs are in blossom at the A. A. Price home near the big Sugar Loaf reservoir.

COUNCIL TONIGHT TO NAME WATER COLLECTOR

A water collector is to be appointed at a special meeting of the Nevada City council this evening. Several applications are on file in City Clerk George Calanan's office for the position.

XMAS TREE SALE BENEFITS SCOUTS

Principal Cecil Klee of the Nevada City elementary school stated today that the Boy Scouts will have Christmas trees on sale at the same spot near the Alpha Hardware store Friday afternoon. The scouts and scout officials have secured a fine lot of trees and orders may be placed in advance for trees by phoning 100. Money realized by the sale helps finance their organization each year. This sale is looked for by local citizens who wish to secure nice trees and to assist the boys.

YULE DOLLAR BUYS BETTER GIFTS IN 1939

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 11. — Contending that "the 1939 Christmas shopping dollar can buy more useful gifts in far better taste than those procurable for the same dollar in 1938 or previous years," members of the art department of the University of California this week placed on public view a unique exhibit in the art gallery of the Education building on the Los Angeles campus.

Arranged by Mrs. Clara B. Humphreys, associate professor in fine arts on the Los Angeles campus of the University of California, and lecturer in art for the University's Extension Division, the exhibit includes a wide variety of household utensils and objects of art illustrating the technique of "olden times" and modern day commercial designs.

"The mass production of the machine age has necessitated uniformity of the objects produced and machine production has destroyed much of the individual character of the craftsmanship which created a beauty apart from the functional demand of the object produced. But man inherently desires beauty in his environment in modern civilization and manufacturers consequently have been called upon to satisfy this demand. Some have succeeded; others have failed.

"The designers who creates the form for the factory made object must please both the manufacturer and the customer. That progress has been made in the field of commercial design and that the consumer when given a chance to choose is more and mare frequently rejecting the dull and ugly object in favor of the more aesthetically pleasing is being proven in our stores daily," says Mrs. Humphreys, whose university exhibit attempts to illustrate causes of the failures by manufacturers to secure beauty through false approaches.

Included in the exhibit are such old and modern objects as electric irons, electric toasters, pottery, typewriters, telephones, bottles, shoes and candlesticks, which illustrates the enormous changes in industrial design during the past quarter of a century.

CAPTIVE LIONS USED IN PLACE OF GUINEA PIGS

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 11.—While most scientists are content to experiment on rats and guinea pigs, three psychologists at the University of California at Los Angeles are studying 165 full sized shaggy African lions.

This unique experiment is being carried on at the Gay's Lion Farm in El Monte, which boasts the world's largest group of lions in captivity. The scientists directing the research work are Dr. Knight Dunlap, Dr. Howard C. Gilhousen and Joseph Cooper, a graduate student.

The lions are of the second and third generations to be raised in cap-

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REDUCE RELIEF CHISLERS OR UP TAXES, VERDICT

By CLEM WHITAKER

There is only one possible solution of the California tax problem.

That is: Solution of the relief problem!

Tersely stated, such are the findings of an unofficial investigating committee that has been quietly at work for weeks past, seeking the uncolored, unvarnished facts for California legislators who will soon be called upon to decide what must be done about new relief appropriations and the constantly mounting state deficit.

The two problems—relief and exorbitant taxation— are identical twins according to the results of the inquiry.

And unless an immediate halt is called in the squandering of relief funds—both in inexcusable extravagance in its administration, and in unwarranted payments to unworthy relief recipients—California taxpayers must pungle up new millions in new taxes, with the burden doubling and trebling every year the relief debacle continues.

That is not this writer's opinion. It is the considered judgment of legislative experts who have studied the amazing evidence brought to light by special detectives and investigators who have gotten down to cases and ferreted out the leaks, patronage (and possible graft) in the present relief system.

The indictment of current relief conditions which will be aired when the special session of the legislature is convened in January will constitute one of the most sensational, lurid documents ever filed in the history of California state government.

In some counties, from 30 to 50 per cent of the persons on the relief rolls have been found to be "chiselers", or "star boarders", who had no business to be on the rolls, according to the investigators. And the total of the mis-spent millions already turned up, it is charged, will stagger even the most complacent liberals.

The findings of the secret inquiry, it is indicated, will be brought to the attention of the legislature by leaders of the legislative economy bloc which defeated Governor Olson's requests for new taxes at the regular session earlier this year.

"If relief spending is brought under proper control, with the chiselers eliminated and administrative costs reduced to a reasonable figure," one of the members of the special investigating committee told this writer, "there will be no need for new taxes. The normal increase in revenues due to the upturn in business will take care of the current deficit and expenditures can be brought into line with outgo."

All of which indicates that there will be a hot time in the old town of Sacramento, when the boys foregather a few weeks hence. There's battle a-brewing!

Backers of the Recall-Olson-Campaign, aided and abetted by the Ham and Eggers, claim they will have the required number of signatures within two weeks to force an election. And Senator "Bob" Kenney, Los Angeles liberal and former Olson leader, is reported to be setting up a campaign organization preparatory to launching his candidacy against the governor. But the groups which put up the sinews of war for gubernatrial campaigns are very cold on this recall proposition. They don't like it—and they don't intend to give a thin dime to it!

One of California's two assemblywomen—Mrs. Jeanette Daley of San Diego—is now reported to be a possible choice of the anti-administration forces in the battle to unseat Paul Peek as speaker of the assembly. Strongest contender however, is Assemblyman Gordon Garland of Woodlake. Both Mrs. Daley and Garland are on Governor Olson's "purge" list!

Some of the old line Democrats (George Creel, for example) are reported to be flirting with the idea of getting aboard Lieutenant Governor Ellis E. Patterson's bandwagon for U. S. Senator next year. Mr. Patterson has been considered a leftist and all that—but he has changed his stripes before, reason the old timers. And besides, they don't want to miss the gravy-train! All of this monkey business, however, probably comes under the heading of lost motion. For the Old Warrior, Hiram Johnson, is a fairly safe bet to cop both nominations—even if Mr. Patterson turns political handsprings.

Walter L. Mobley Answers Summons

Walter L. Mobley, born near North San Juan, September 6, 1865, passed away early this morning. One of the charter members of the Elks Lodge and a member of the Masonic Lodge of this city, hundreds of fellow fraternal members and many outside these orders, today grieve at the passing of a friend. His late wife passed away six years ago this month.

The deceased was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Fielding F. Mobley, who at the time of his birth resided on the ranch now owned by Fred E. Conner. It was distinguished by twelve cedar trees in double row, eight of which are still standing, known as the "twelve apostles." Shortly after his birth the family moved to North Bloomfield, where Walter Mobley's parents established a boarding house for the accomodation of the men then employed in the great Malakoff diggings.

Walter Mobley grew up in the stirring times of peak production of placer gold mining in this county. At an age when most boys nowadays are students in school, he entered the employ of Crandall & McKillican, owners of the general store at North Bloomfield. In due time he became manager and finally a partner in what was then one of the largest and most prosperous mercantile firms in Nevada county.

With his family he left Bloomfield in 1922 and accepted the post of manager of the grocery department of the Alpha Stores. Following the great fire this department was discontinued. Shortly thereafter he was appointed justice of the peace for Nevada township to which post he was three times re-elected, serving in all, more than 12 years.

In 1901 Walter L. Mobley married Miss Bessie Stephens, who in later life became a leader in the civic and social life in this community, so that today, six years after her passing, it reflects in many ways her endeavors and devoted service toward making it a better city in which to live. To this couple were born Honory Lane Mobley, now dean of women in the Placerville Junior College, and Myers Mobley, pharmacist in Dickerman's drug store.

Besides the son and daughter, there survives a sister, Mrs. Mollie Ostrom of Yreka.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock in Holmes Funeral Home. The Rev. H. Thomas Pateman, rector of Trinity Episcopal church, will read the service for the dead. The remains will be cremated in Sacramento.

FOREST POLICE READY TO NAB TREE POACHERS

Christmas tree patrol work on the Tahoe national forest has been strengthened by the recent temporary appointment of Robert L. Tucker at Nevada City as assistant to Law Enforcement Officer J. D. Rafferty, according to forestry officials at the Nevada City headquarters. Tucker has worked for the past two years as forest guard on the Sierraville district and just recently finished the 1939 season there. The patrol will not only attempt to prevent Christmas tree poaching on national forest lands but forest officials are also cooperating with state law enforcement officers in preventing poaching on privately owned land. Persons desiring to cut Christmas trees whether for personal or commercial use are cautioned to first secure the necessary Christmas tree permit from the forest service or from the owner in the case of privately owned land.

FOURTH GRADE TO PRESENT HANSEL AND GRETEL

The biggest event of the Nevada City Elementary school year will be given next Friday beginning at 2 o'clock and again at 8 o'clock when fourth graders present Hansel and Gretel. Music for this play was started last spring under Mrs. M. Warnecke. Every child in the grade will have a part in the play.

Teachers assisting in making the play a success are Miss Ruth Tamblyn, Mrs. Mary Warnecke, Ralph Smith, Mrs. Doris Foley, Miss Ruth Hogan, Miss Virginia Ramm, Principal Cecil Klee, Mrs. Marian Libbey.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wilson of Truckee have come to Nevada City to visit Mr. and Mrs. William Treglown until after the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Elkus are planning to move to Grass Valley to reside after living in this city for many years. Mr. Elkus is in the employ of the Newmont company in Grass Valley.

Ross L. Taylor, of Downieville, is reported to be makiug a steady recovery from auto accident injuries.

SHERIFF FOILS JAIL BREAKERS

Daniel Leighton, held for armed burglary ,and Allen Dorsey, recently given six months county jail sentence and five years probation for burglary and armed robbery, are in solitary confinement today charged with being ringleaders in an abortive jail break plot discovered Saturday.

Sheriff Carl J. Tobiassen, acting on an anonymous tip from Grass Valley that prisoners in the county jail were planning a break, found a partition which connects the lower cell block with the upper cell block had been dug through.

A search of the cells revealed a hunting knife, file and pliers and several other articles, which the sheriff said could be used as weapons.

Tobiassen stated the hole connecting the two cell blocks was apparently dug by steel posts, torn from a bed in one of the cells.

The sheriff revealed the prisoners for two months had been working on keys with which to open the main cell block door. The officers say they discovered two rough keys, which the prisoners had made, but neither of them would fit the cell lock.

There are eighteen prisoners in the county jail.

STORM ADDS 1.70 INCHES TO TOTAL THIS SEASON

The storm over the past week end brought 1.70 inches of rain to Nevada City making a total of two inches for the month. On the sixth there was .29 and on the seventh. .01 of an inch fell. The total now stands at 7.25 inches.

Snow fell down as far as the Placer county line in Bear Valley and snow plows were not needed on the section of the Tahoe Ukiah highway in Nevada county. However Placer county highway officials sent snow plows to work out from Bear Valley and on to the Donner Summit. There were four inches of snow on Donner Summit last evening.

The Tahoe national forest headquarters had a measurement of 1.79 inches of rainfall at Forest Hill. Rain was heavy at Downieville but no snow. Another storm is predicted.

TWO I. O. O. F. CANDIDATES

Oustomah Lodge of Odd Fellows will confer the first degree on two candidates at their meeting tomorrow evening. Visitors are expected from Colfax, Auburn and Grass Valley. A banquet will be served after the meeting. M. C. Roberts is Noble Grand of the lodge. The newly elected officers will be installed early in January.

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Initiative and Referendum

Abuses of initiative and referendum are cited to show the need for reform. Citizens sign petitions which, if understood, would be abhorred. Repeated efforts are made to wear down resistance and catch the voters in a moment of apathy, to let slip some measure they have rejected again and again. In the gloom of the polling booth the voters are required to do hastily what the Legislature is paid to do and should do better by deliberate consideration.

These are handicaps inherent in popular government. They are handicaps that the people must overcome if they are to continue self rule. To better guard against mass weakness there are proposals to make submission more difficult by requiring more signatures, or territorial representation, or forbidding resubmission for various periods from two to five years.

Each such proposal calls for careful and suspicious analysis. Petitions already are almost prohibitive in cost. Making them more so would put a premium upon selfish, well financed campaigns. A good proposal, mistakenly turned down, would be denied resubmission even if emergency demanded and the public, upon reconsideration, desired it.

Laws do not always work out the way they sound. A hard won right may be surrendered or curtailed in a moment of laxity. Any curtailment must be a limitation upon a right already possessed by the people.

At worst, initiative and referendum are better than a bad Legislature. It is easier for lobbyists to put over a bad law, or kill a good one in the Legislature, than to mislead the people.

The value of initiative and referendum is not alone in the laws initiated or referred, but is also in the check upon legislators. The constant reminder that the people have this recourse has a healthy effect. Without it there might be many more laws the people would want to initiate, or refer, than now appear on the ballot.

Admittedly it would be useful to curb the abuses and ways may be found. But there should be care lest we burn down the barn to get rid of the rats.—Contributed.

The Supreme Dictator Stirs

(Siskiyou News)

It's a "queer" war. Nothing has come of pre-war predictions of sky-darkening fleets of bombers obliterating great cities, of lightening thrusts by millions of super-equipped soldiers. Why? The reasons advanced by Lloyd George, last of the great diplomats of World War days, are arresting and—when analyzed—of encouragement to a war-fearful world. It is not anti-aircraft guns that prevent wholesale bombing of non-combatant populations, but fear of equally destructive reprisals on cities of the aggressor nation. Further, pointing out that 1,537,800 Frenchmen were killed and 4,266,000 wounded in the World War, Lloyd George asserts: "French ministers who today projected operations that would incur the same ghastly casualties, in order to restore shattered boundaries in Central Europe, would be speedily overthrown." And recalling that Germany left 1,773,700 dead up upon World War battlefields, he declares that "dictator though Hitler be, German opinion—military and civil—now faces his behests involving the spilling of rivers of German blood with a stubborn resistance. And so no general on either side will take the responsibility of repeating the senseless carnage of the great offensives of the last war."

And that simply means that the lethargic, slow-awakening but supreme dictator—the collective will of the peoples of Europe—is crying out against international mass murder with a voice no dictator, no commander thirsting for military glory, dares disobey! The voice of Democracy—for all that Democracy is, is the united will and action of all the people of a nation assuming authority over their own destiny—is at last defying Hitler. If he smashed the Maginot line by breaking the bodies of millions of German boys against it, his people would destroy him. Frenchmen will die defending their home soil; but they will not march by millions to their doom against the guns of the Siegfried line. In the very "queerness" of this war lies hope for humanity. Democracy is not dead in Europe. It grows stronger, inevitably and inexorably, while the sword-hand of the war-mongering dictator falters.

Let The Legislature Take Heed

Almost any printed discussion about taxes and budgets uses so many ciphers that it looks like astronomical light years instead of money from taxpayers' pockets.

The cost of state government has doubled in ten years. Whether government is twice as good is for the individual to decide.

Is protection of the public and business twice as efficient? Has crime been cut in half? Are children being twice as well equipped to meet their life problems? Is it twice as easy to get a job, or run a farm or a business?

Whatever the answer to these questions and others like them, the fact remains that the cost of government has doubled and the taxpayer's income has not.

What is hard to get across to a great many persons is that they pay taxes even if they do not get tax bills. There are taxes on every thread in a shirt or dungarees, on every crumb of bread, on every roof that shelters a head, not one tax but a pyramid of taxes. Of every dollar spent by millionaire or WPA client, from a quarter to a third goes to taxes.

When this is understood there may be some tax reform. The first step is to quit new spending schemes and enterprises that call for money or credit or tax exemptions, then cut the present discretionary spending, then go into the mandatory spending class. Analysis of any budget shows that what the Legislature controls directly is comparatively small. The bulk is mandatory appropriations. Some of these are inescapable, like interest on borrowed money. Some are mandatory because they have been made so. By reversing the process they can be made un-mandatory and cut.

This process must be followed unless the public debts, national, state and local, are to be met by repudiation under some fancy name. And if they are so met, it will cost money to everyone who has a business, a home, or a job. He may wind up by having none of these.

The special session of the Legislature in the offing gives point to apprehension on this score. There are any number of projects waiting for attention, a mere ten millions, twenty millions, for this or that socially desirable project. The ones to be most feared are those that "actually cost nothing," because the millions, tens of millions, hundreds of millions talked about are mere figures of speech. Taxpayers who think know that nothing costs nothing.—Contributed.

CAMPTONVILLE NOTES

CAMPTONVILLE, Dec. 11.—Mrs. Nona Williams left Tuesday for her home at Dobbins after spending several days here visiting Mrs. Rachael M. Labadie.

James Kirkpatrick, a corporal in the air service at March Field, arrived Tuesday on a two weeks vacation with the Espinosa family at Pike City.

Miss Elsie Price had the misfortune Friday of getting a piece of steel in her eye, making it necessary to go to Nevada City for medical attention. Mrs. William A. Lang took her down.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence E. Turner have moved from the Grant and Heether saw mill and are now residing in the Flagg house on Spencer street.

George Butz killed another big bear Friday morning about a mile above town in the old Buck orchard this making the second bear George has brought down in a week. There are quite a few bear in this locality and George has been right on the job.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Meggers returned Wednesday evening from three days spent at Nevada City where Mr. Meggers attended to forest service business.

"Who in your family made the most brilliant marriage?"
"My wife."

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CAPTIVE LION

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tivity—their ancestors having been brought to the United States from East Africa. The animals have appeared in many Hollywood motion pictures that required an African or East Indian background.

Cooper spends two days a week, four hours at a time, at Gay's Lion Farm. His job is to observe the jungle beasts in an effort to get as much information as he can about the way in which the big semi-domesticated cats act.

"When we have gained enough genera information about captive lions, we will be better prepared to formulate specific problems concerning their sensory capacities, learning abiities, wildness and other qualities," Cooper points out.

"These findings will be placed side by side with previous observations on other members of the cat family. In this way a complete body of comparative psychological information may be built up. This particular study of lions will be a small unit to be eventually fitted into a complete description of animal behavior."

CAMPTONVILLE SCHOOLS CLOSE FOR SEASON

CAMPTONVILLE, Dec. 11.—The Camptonville Union Grammar school and the Camptonville branch of the Marysville union high school are closed for the term. Both schools held a party Friday afternoon. The teacher, Mrs. Grace Pauly and Mrs. Constance Pfiffer of the grammar school and W. C. Williams of the high school expect to remain here during the winter.

Jones—"Is insomnia catching?"
Smith—"It is if your baby has it."

IF EVERY MAN WERE KING AND EVERY WOMAN QUEEN

The most pleasing announcement the Lord High Chamberlain could make, especially during the holiday season, would be:

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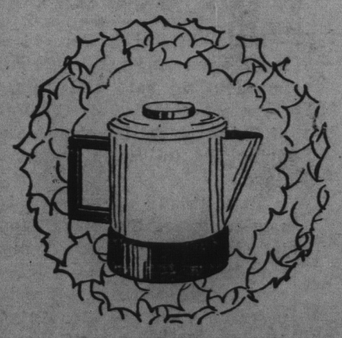

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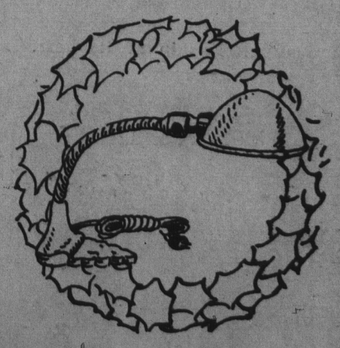

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NEVADA COUNTY PAYS $158,574 IN HIDDEN TAXES

BERKELEY, Dec. 6.—Families in Nevada County pay an estimated $158,574 in hidden taxes annually through their purchases of food, a National Consumers Tax Commission survey showed today.

"Nearly eight per cent of the total food bill represents shifted taxes buried in the price of every purchase," the report stated. "These unseen levies, for example, take 11 per cent of butter costs, 6 1-2 per cent of bread costs, 10 1-2 per cent of sliced bacon and 4 1-2 per cent of the cost of coffee."

The report was made public through Mrs. James E. Wales, of Berkeley, and Mrs. Dorohy M. Arnold of La Canada, national committee member and state director respectively, who lead NCTC study groups in California in the educational crusade against "unnecessary consumer penalizing taxes." The report added:

"Chief offenders, and those that fall most heavily on lower income families, are hidden taxes. These are levied originally against the producer, manufacturer, shipper and distributor. Unable to absorb the load, each must pass on a share of its taxes and the consumer ultimately pays them, usually without knowing it."

The commission, in whose nonpartisan crusade approximately 5,500 tax study groups are active, said the hidden tax figure does not include the many other hidden and direct taxes families here have to pay.

The food tax estimate was computed from NCTC averages based on last available U. S. Bureau of the Census figures which placed 1935 food sales in the country at $2,033,000. Government estimates of total sales in the country last year approximate the total in the 1935 study, the NCTC said.

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STATE BUYS BIG REDWOOD TRACT

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6.—One of the great forests of the world—the Mill Creek Redwoods near Crescent City, Del Norte County—was in large measure assured of preservation for all time, when the California State Park Commission took title today to 6,772 acres from The Del Norte Company, Ltd. The purchase price was $80,000, met by private gifts obtained through the Save-the-Redwoods League from individuals in many parts of the United States. This was the announcement by J. D. Grant of San Francisco, chairman of the League's Board of Directors.

Together with adjoining state holdings in Hiouchi Park, the Mill Creek Redwoods State Park now comprises almost seven thousand acres. An additional 2,518 acres to round out the area are subject to option agreement under which, if state funds and private gifts to match them become available, it is planned to make purchases in installments over the next ten years.

The combined purchase and option represents a total price of approximately $550,000 for 9,290 acres. The lower average cost per acre in the purchase of the first unit was partly due to the necessity for meeting at this time delinquent taxes on the holdings of the lumber company with funds realized through the sale. The price of $80,000 for 6,772 acres thus is probably not representative of the true value of this magnificent stand of redwood timber, which was assessed by the county at $961,472 for the year 1937-39 and $780,461 for the year 1938-39.

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SECOND—"SKETCHES OF THE GOLD COUNTRY" so popular that the first edition was sold out a year ago. The new and handsomely illustrated edition is now available for Christmas gifts. The booklet, written by Harley M. Leete, Jr., comprises descriptions of and narratives concerning old mining centers of Nevada County, illustrated with pen and ink drawings by Clifford L. Warner, well known artist of the Sierra mountain mining country. The price is 50 cents plus tax.

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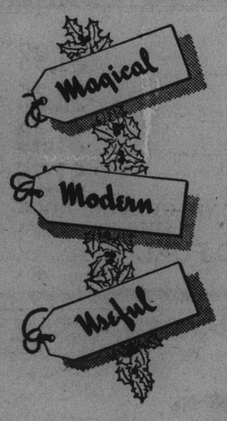

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JUST WONDERIN'

I wonder at the treasures hid
In books we used to read—
Bright gems of wisdom and of wit
We often fail to heed;
The tender tales of old romance,
The simple lines of verse,
Long stately paragraphs of prose
And short ones trite and terse.

I wonder if you have ever taken part in a treasure hunt—the sort arranged for your entertainment by the charming hostess with whom you are spending a restful week end. Directions, cleverly devised, send you scurrying from one end of town to the other, lead you into embarrassing situations and leave you in a state of mental and physical depletion. If you are successful, the reward is almost certain to be a glass fruit dish, a trick ash tray or a pair of bed room slippers three sizes too small. Not much fun.

I wonder how often you go on a treasure hunt through old books; it is a pastime which entails no exhaustion of mind or body and always proves to be interesting, stimulating and instructive. Recently while playing this game with a few of our own ancient volumes, we opened a book titled: "Our Father's House," published in 1871 and from its pages culled this passage which I quote verbatim. Attention, tree lovers.

"Far back in the ages of the past a wind wafted seed fell into the fertile soil of a mountain valley of California. It was among the smallest of seeds. It was encased in a hard, dry husk, and it soon mingled with the dust; but in dying it gave life to a tender, thread like stalk that rose slowly and tremblingly into the light and air.

"At that time God was calling Abraham to leave the home of his fathers and become a wanderer in the land of Canaan. A hundred years passed on and Abraham died, and that delicate thread of green had become a great tree. Three hundred more years passed, and the descendants of Abraham marched out of Egypt an emancipated people, and that mighty tree was still lifting its wide arms to the sky. Five hundred more years come and go, and Solomon is upon the throne of Israel, and the history of Greece and Rome has not yet begun, but that tree is still growing. A thousand years more added to the world's life, and thirty generations of men have been carried away by death; Christ rises from the tomb in the garden of Joseph, and that tree still lives. And now eighteen hundred years more of struggle and conflict and change, have passed over the earth. The new world has been discovered and the old world made new, and still that towering tree, which was alive and no larger than a blade of grass springing from a decayed seed in Abraham's day, is still lifting its lofty column of green verdure to the sky. It is a hundred feet higher than the highest structure reared by human hands in America. A great army could encamp within the reach of its shadow. That tree has been the contemporary of Abraham, Moses and David, of Caesar, Mohammed and Napoleon. It has flourished in perrennial beauty while a hundred and twenty generations of men have appeared on the earth and passed away. Yet it is green and full of life today. And it sprang from a decaying of one small seed that was buried in the ground four thousand years ago."

—A. MERRIAM CONNER.

From Aunt Sarah

Nothing is more tasty than toasted nuts for the winter months and holiday season and the following recipe was presented by a local person who has had good luck with them.

To buttertoast filberts (hazelnuts) first coat the nut meats with melted butter (1 tbsp butter to 1 lb. nut meats) in a skillet over low heat; stir the nuts until all the butter is taken up, and they are warm. Then set skillet in a slow oven—not over 250 deg.—and leave for 40 or 46 minutes. Stir them occasionally and watch broken meats for color. When they begin to brown, spread nuts on absorbent paper; while they are still quite warm, salt to taste.

Much of the filbert flavor is in the brown skin of the nut meat, therefore it is better not to try to blanch them. They can be blanched only after roasting slightly in an oven, and even then it is difficult to rub all the skin off.

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SPECIMEN OF FUR SEAL SENT TO UNIVERSITY

BERKELEY, Dec. 11.—A specimen of female Pribilof Island fur seal, which had found its way into the harbor at Crescent City, has been sent to the Museum of Veterbrate Zoology of the University of California by the United States Bubureau of Fisheries. This seal is rare visitor to California's coast, and this is the first complete specimen that has been received by the University.

The seal was evidently returning from the regular seal migration to the South Pacific, when it sickened and sought the quiet harbor to recuperate. It was placed in the Crescent City aquarium, but died a few days later. The carcass was taken in charge by the Bureau of Fisheries.

The seals make a migration to the South Pacific from their breeding place on the Pribilof Islands, some 200 miles off the Alaskan mainland. The seal in question is estimated to have gone several hundred miles away from the course of the ordinary migration to reach the California coast. It was some 1,500 miles from its breeding place when found.

The arrival of the specimen here called to mind the fact that this species of seal was near extinction due to unrestricted hunting a few decades ago. The United States government took charge and established complete control under a management plan whereby the killing activities are closely limited and the income is distributed between the calimant countries. This plan was reached as a result of studies made by Dr. W. E. Ritter, biologist of the University of California, and David Starr Jordan authority on marine fish life and former president of Stanford University. The plan has resulted in an increase of the seal numbers.

F. Hammel who has been in Nevada City several months left today for Los Angeles. He was one of the draftsmen at the Murchie mine and the new hospital at Nevada City, now being completed by the Newmont mine interests.

Mrs. A. Sommers chief operator of the local telephone exchange went to Sacramento Thursday and attended a meeting of the telephone employees. Her husband motored down Saturday and they returned home Sunday evening. Sacramento was visited by a severe gale of wind and heavy rain while they were there.

STRAWS IN THE WIND POINTS TO ECONOMY TALK

WASHINGTON, D. C. Dec. 11.—The paradox of a war boom for business and an ever louder clamor for Federal relief is puzzling some of the best minds in the National Capital.

If there is a business boom, WPA hasn't heard of it. There are over 2½ million applications on file for work relief jobs—700,000 more than already are on the rolls and the heaviest demand since the 1937 slump. And the cold weather hasn't started yet. Some of the heavy thinkers offer these explanations:

1. WPA contains many persons either unemployable or not wanting to be employable.

2. Further developments of modern genius—new machines—are producing more, with less man-power.

3. There is a great influx of youngsters anxious, but unable, to get jobs.

Unemployables on relief rolls mean another headache, for it is the President's policy to have WPA provide work-relief only for employables, assigning others to the state's care.

Unpleasant truths of the matter are that (a) we have demoralized millions of our less fortunate citizens as self supporting individuals and (b) there is more near starvation here than in other industrial countries, despite the fact we have spent more on relief than all other nations combined.

A correspondent points out that the Japanese have only two principal exports. One is silk. The other is international trouble. And silk is gradually being replaced by synthetic plastics.

A lot of hush-hush talk is going on in Washington to decide what devious devices will be resorted to when spending brings us to the national debt limit of 45 billion dollars. Needless to say, there is no talk of balancing the budget and living within our rather ample means.

The New Deal is now suggesting that one nice way to collect government pocket money without levying taxes now, or hoisting the apparent debt, would be to sell annuities at post offices. They will press for passage of the pending bill. The idea is not new.

Other possible subterfuges include financing through government corporations and other agencies; having the President devalue silver and issue more cheap silver currency, or devalue gold still further. Then there are certain funds the Treasury can use, such as gold in the Stabilization Fund and the seigniorage resulting from silver purchases. Finally and worst of all, there is the issue of fiat paper money—green-backism. Most economists agree that extending the debt limit would be better than that.

The real answer, of course, is in reduced expenditures and prudent government financing. But don't expect that.

Scurrying to cover as election time nears, the spenders in Washington can be expected to turn over a new leaf, with the turn of the year. We shall be hearing a lot about retrenchment and downward revision of taxes for business, not much about new experiments or innovations, and as little as possible about increasing the limitation on national debt.

Germans, short on leather, prohibit football in the schools because it wears out soles. The goose-step is pretty hard on them, too.

So they say: "—before we really get back to recovery, the rules, laws, regulations and taxes that hang over the head of every man who would employ labor must be modified or withheld. Our manufacturing plants must operate and our idle men must have jobs in them.

"A man is hurt in the street and a crowd rushes in to offer advice and aid. Finally someone has to yell: 'Stand back and give him air!' It is time for the government to stand back and give the employer a chance." — Congressman Harry W. Griswold (R-Wis.)

"Business has been hampered, badgered and hamstrung. A crooning voice and a winning smile butter no parsnips. Instead of a Moses, Mr. Roosevelt turned out to be a 20th Century Pied Piper who, in the guise of seeking reform has led us into a river of doubt and despair. It usually takes the American people twenty years to forget a Democratic Administration but it will take 100 years for them to forget this one. The greatest economist produced under the New Deal is the old white mule down in Texas that refused to walk on every third row of cotton." — Congressman Harold Knutson (R-Minn.)

Wife — "I certainly enjoyed the bridge party this afternoon."

Husband—"Did you have the best score?"

Wife—"No, but I had the nicest dress."

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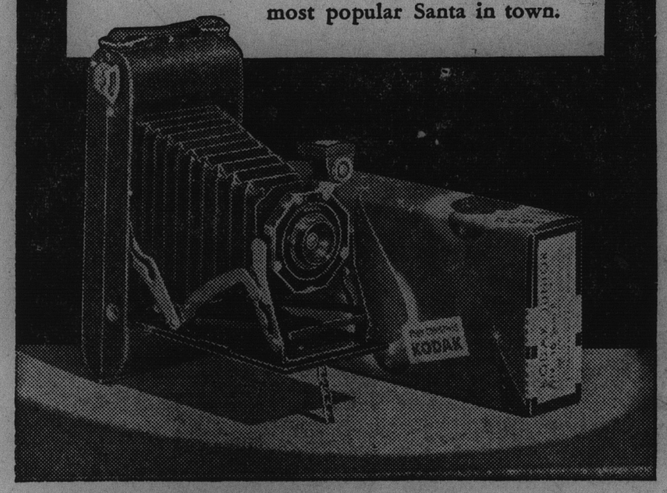

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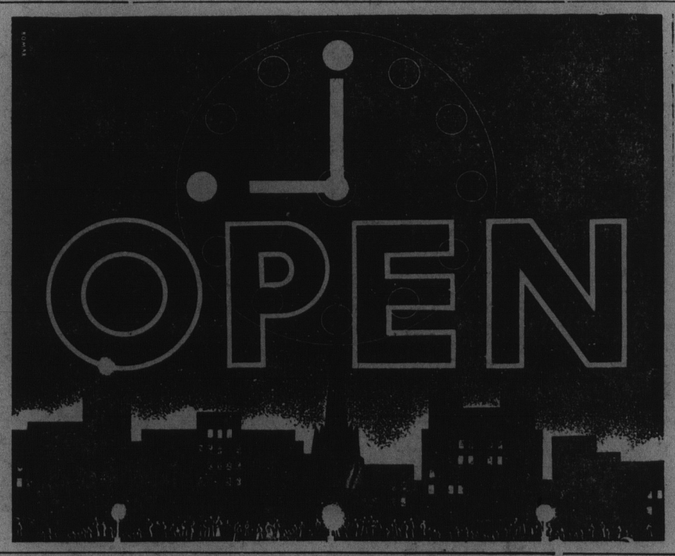
LADIES' SILK OR OIL Silk Fancy Umbrellas, $1.49 to $4.95 each, Rain Coats, $1.49 each.



GIVE LADIES' HANDkerchiefs. Either boxed or separate. 25c box to $1.25 box. 5c each to $1.25 each.

FANCY LACE BUREAU Scarfs 75c each up. Fancy Scatter Pillows 65c to 98c each.

GIVE LADIES' RAYON Vests, Panties, Bloomers, Priced at 49c to $1.25 each. also Silk and Wool and Rayon and Wool Hosiery, Priced at 59c and 98c Pair

GIVE FABRIC GLOVES, 98c Pair. Costume Jewelry, 49c to 98c each. Purses, $1.00 to $2.95 each. Neck Scarfs 98c each. Umbrellas, $1.49 to $4.95 each.

FANCY LUNCH CLOTHS Priced at 98c and up. Fancy Aprons priced at 29c and up.

MEN'S AND BOYS' NECKties, Sox, Handkerchiefs, Neck Scarfs, Shirts, Flannelette Pajamas.

GIVE SILK HOSIERY — either No-Mend, Van Raalte, Munsing or Cinderella makes, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 thread. Priced at 79c to $1.35 Pair.

FANCY TOWELS, BATH Towels, Guest Towels, Bath Mats, Wash Cloths sold separtely or to match.

LADIES' FLANNELETTE Night Gowns. $1.00 up. Young Ladies' Flannelette Pajamas $1.49 Pair.

CHILDREN'S FANCY FLANNELETTE Pajamas, 2 to 8 years. Priced 59c to 98c each.

YOUNG MEN'S WOOL Suit 4 to 12 years. Long pants. $4.95 to $8.95 Suit.

LADIES' COATS, DRESSES, Robes, Sweaters, Wool Gloves and Knit Toques. Also Girls' Dresses, Coats and Robes.

BED JACKETS 98c each up

SLUMBER SOX 35c Pair

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COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS OF PHILIPPINES ARRIVE

Mrs. O. McCraney and several friends of Nevada City were sent the much coveted new Philippine commemorative stamps by Mr. McCraney who is in the Philippines. In his letter to his wife he stated that when he entered the line in front of the post office window he was the fiftieth and when he made his purchase there were 2,000 behind him. The natives of the islands are ardent stamp collectors. The two sets of new stamps of three denominations each were on first day envelopes with cachets. The stamps were issued on the 4th anniversary, November 15, of the Philippine Commonwealth birthday. The envelopes arrived last Friday, taking almost a month to arrive here.

GIFT SUGGESTIONS

To help fill out your Christmas List

New Eastman Baby Brownie Special Camera $1.25

Univex Movie Camera.... $9.95

Beautiful Gift Stationery 50c up.

Pen and Pencil Sets from $1.95

Mens Shaving Sets from 50c.

Guaranteed Electric Clocks—$2.50 up.

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Social Events

Surprise Party for Mrs. L. L. Larabee

Mrs. Omar Tonella and Mrs. Jessie Costa gave a surprise party Friday evening honoing Mrs. L. L. Larrabee who is leaving soon to make her home in Redding. Her husband has been transferred by his company and has already taken the position. Whist was played until a late hour with prizes going to Mrs. Howard Burr, first; Mrs. Minnie Young second; Mrs. Hutton, third and Mrs. Mullens consolation. Mrs. Larrabee was also presented a lovely gift from the group of friends. Dainty refreshments were also served at the close of the evening.

Those present for the delightful affair were Mrs. Cleland, Mrs. Jessie Costa, Mrs. Mary Hutton, Mrs. Minnie Young, Mrs. Mullen, Mrs. Omar Tonella, Mrs. Margaret Tonella, Mrs. Agnes Hoskins, Mrs. Norman Kistle, Mrs. Lonecki, Mrs. M. Dillon, Mrs. Butz, Mrs. P. Armstrong, Mrs. Max Weicc, Mrs. Howard Burr, Mrs. Kemp.

Baby Shower Given by Camptonville Women

CAMPTONVILLE, Dec. 8.—Mrs. George E. Butz was hostess Saturday afternoon at her home on Main street to a number of friends sponsoring a baby shower for Mrs. Leonard L. Bishop and Mrs. Edward E. Olson. A very enjoyable afternoon was spent and the expectant mothers received some very nice gifts. The following were the invited guests: Mesdames Sarah J. Calvin, Claude E. McQueary, Wilbert L. Taylor, Lee Virgin, William A. Lang, Fred H. Butz,, Jessie D. Olson, Earl Beal, Jack Montgomery, Jimmie Stoddard, Wm. Hemleben, Fred J. Joubert, Lawrence Turner, W. C. Williams, Richard Pfiffer, Frank Meggers, Rachael Labadie, Julius Pauly, Henry Woods, Herman Ramm, Julius Cassano, Elwood Schurr, Guy Tabler, B. F. McNaught, Samuel E. Price, Olive Groves, Lydia Groves, Lola Cleveland, Elsie Price, Jeanne Howard. Mrs. Leonard Bishop, Edward Olson, George E. Butz.

Tracking Down Tuberculosis Germs

College student receiving tuberculin test as part of routine physical examination. College students belong to the age group most frequently attacked by tuberculosis. Tuberculosis associations, by means of Christmas Seals, are teaching how the disease may be prevented and cured.

Mrs. Dorothy Joy, trained nurse who has resided in this city for several years, is visiting with her son, Allen Joy, in Bisbee, Arizona. Allen Joy was formerly with the Safeway stores in this city.

Elton Tobiassen, who is attending University of California Agricultural college at Davis, spent the past week end at the home of his parents, Sheriff and Mrs. Carl P. Tobiassen.

Camptonville Club to Seek New Quarters

CAMPTONVLLE, Dec. 8. — The Womens club met Thursday evening. Some discussion took place relative to a club room for future use as they are giving up the Mayo building because it is to be converted into a CCC camp barracks after the first of the year. It was decided to hold a public card party on Saturday, Dec. 9, and a public Christmas tree the Saturday before Christmas. The club members had a small Christmas tree at this meeting on which was an exchange of presents from and to all the members. Refreshments were served by hostesses for this meeting. Mrs. Louisa Price and daughter, Miss Elsie Price.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

By BARBARA PHARISS

The Nevada City Yellowjackets won a victory over the East Nicolaus Saturday night by a score of 41 to 11. The B team was not so fast and were defeated 30 to 17.

Thomas Martin, and Childers played a very good game. Childers was high point man with 17, Thomas making 8. The teams showed much improvement and better team work over their first game.

CARNIVAL A SUCCESS

The carnival, the first of its kind to be given here, was a huge success. Before the stage show began the building was packed. The show lasted for an hour and received much applause. The setting was the Sultan George McCartney, and his harem, the girls chorus with the boys chorus standing behind. The four candidates for queen, were seated around him as his daughters. Bob Schmidt "Alladin" was master of ceremonies and rubbed his magic lamp to introduce the acts. At the close of the stage show, Bob Schmidt presented Betty Smith as queen, and presented her with a crown of carnations. Dancing and the various concessions held the crowd until after 11:30.

CARNIVAL ASSEMBLY

At the regular assembly Friday, a part of the stage show was presented. Classes were let out at two o'clock for a practice, and a parade was held through the streets of Nevada City and Grass Valley at 3:30.

FAMOUS ROLE FOR COOPER IN NEW FILM

Already securely established as a memorable stage and radio character with legions of fans who treasure him as their own kid brother, Henry Aldrich springs to life and his own defense in Paramount's film version of the two-season Broadway hit, "What a Life," which opens on Tuesday at the Nevada Theatre.

To Jackie Cooper went the coveted role in the authentic comedy of rampant and romantic highschool youth, and reports emanating from the film capital have it that he has scored as solidly as he did in "Skippy", which he did for the same studio in his knee pants days. Betty Field, who earned critical approval in the stage play, undertakes the role of Jackie's girl friend.

""What a Life" tells of the adventures and misadventures of the most misunderstood youngster of the century as he blithely cuts a wide and wild swath in local highschool circles. Henry is blamed for everything on the calendar except Thanksgiving and everything falls on him but Plymouth Rock.

As each prank sinks him closer to disgrace he calls on his excuse-making genius and suceeds in failing miserably until a final brilliant stroke transforms him from hapless to heroic in a series of side-splitting sequences.

RED DOG ROAD IMPROVED

Supervisor C. S. Arbogast stated today that the Red Dog road is graveled from Crystal Springs to Greenhorn stream. The road is partly in the district of Supervisor Alex Robinson of Truckee and part in Mr. Arbogast's district. It took about three weeks to gravel the road and put it in shape for winter travel.

CHRISTMAS SEALS

The Elementary School P. T. A. will be held next Friday afternoon. The Seventh and Eighth grades will present a Christmas program for the association. Mrs. I. Hefelfinger is also aiding in presenting a tableau to urge the sale of Christmas tuberculosis seals.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Carnes returned Saturday from a two months vacation spent in touring the western United States. They spent much of their time in Butte, Montana visiting Mrs. Carnes son and family.

E. L. Stone, fire dispatcher for the Tahoe national forest, has just returned from Truckee and is back at his desk again. He has been in charge of Christmas tree sales in the Truckee district for several weeks.

Nevada Theatre

MONDAY

MARX BROS. AT THE CIRCUS:

Marx madness running wild among animals, acrobats, gorgeous gals of the circus. A rodeo of roars, plus song hits, romance.

TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY

WHAT A LIFE

The concentrated woe of Henry Aldrich who thinks high school was invented for his exclusive torture. With Jackie Cooper and Betty Field.

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY

20,000 MEN A YEAR

The dramatic story of aeronautic training of American college youth told through the eyes of the girls who love them and the men that train them. Co-starring Randolph Scott and Margaret Lindsay.

Smart Clothes for the Holidays

For the rounds of parties and entertaining, you'll want to look your best. If that means a new suit or overcoat, better come in right now and make your selection from our racks. The styles are unusually complete.

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BOYS AND STUDENTS

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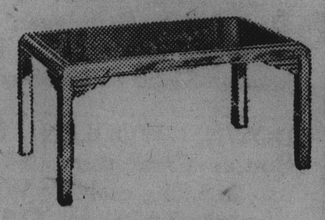

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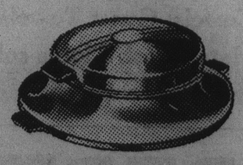

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